



High Intensity Summer ELD Program

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Session Description:

Most of Arizona's English language learners are at the Intermediate Proficiency level, according to the Arizona English Language Learner Assessment (AZELLA). In order to address the linguistic needs of this group of English language learners (ELLs), the Arizona Department of Education, Office of English Language Acquisition Services, instituted a High Intensity Summer ELD (English language development) Program, or HISEP, in the summer of 2009. The program was implemented in six school districts for twenty instructional days. The students were selected by their Intermediate Proficiency status and were given the AZELLA at the end of the program. The result was a 44% reclassification rate for these participating students.

How the session addresses Innovation:

A High Intensity Summer ELD Program (HISEP) for English language learners is a new concept in addressing the specific language needs of ELLs who are "stuck" at the Intermediate level of English language proficiency. The reclassification rate after twenty days of intensive language instruction, and the capacity built in the participating school districts given the training that the teachers receive, are only two of the areas of innovation that hold promise in raising the academic achievement of Arizona's English language learners.

Presenter Information:

Secily Meza Downes, as an Education Program Specialist with OELAS, assists districts with the implementation of the SEI Program Models, by conducting ELD trainings and providing technical assistance to districts.

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